Testimony submitted to the Joint Committee on the Judiciary Public Hearing Monday, March 11, 2019 In support of H.B. 7218, H.B. 7223 and H.B. 7219

Senator Winfield, Representative Stafstrom, ranking members Kissel and Rebimbas and distinguished members of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary:

In my 20 years living in Danbury I have been pleased to see Connecticut take important steps to improve gun safety. The three bills before you can make us and our communities even safer.

In addition to regularly manufactured weapons we now have guns that can be created from parts from a kit or from parts fashioned by a 3D printer. These modern do-it-yourself guns have no history and thus are untraceable. Because they are not sold as a finished weapon they are unregistered and do not require a background check.

Please support a ban both of these types of weapons. Please also support improvements in the safe storage of guns.

I strongly support H.B. 7218, H.B. 7223 and H.B. 7219 and urge you to favorably report these bills out of the Judiciary Committee.

Sincerely yours,

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